

HOUSE BILL 1922
By Pruitt

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49,
relative to school discipline.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-3401, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated subsection:

() Notwithstanding the provisions of § 49-6-3001(c)(1) or any other provision of law to the contrary, whenever a student in grades kindergarten through six (K-6) transfers to another school, any record concerning a disciplinary action taken against such student that did not rise to the level of expulsion or suspension from school or school-sponsored activities shall be retained under seal by the school from which the student is transferring or by the LEA or shall be expunged. Each local board of education shall adopt a policy for sealing or expunging such records consistent with guidelines established by the state board of education. Such policy shall be submitted to the department of education which shall review it for consistency with the guidelines of the state board of education.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005, the public welfare requiring it.